

C H A P. VII.

A Supplement to the act for the establishment of select vestries.

WHEREAS, by the declaration of rights, it was among other things Preamble. declared, that the churches, chapels, glebes, and all other property belonging to the church of England, ought to remain to the church of England for ever: And whereas, by the above act for the establishment of select vestries, the glebe-lands, churches and chapels, books, plate, and other ornaments belonging to the said churches and chapels, the property of the church of England, were vested in the select vestries, to be chosen in virtue of the said act, and their successors: And whereas it is represented to this general assembly, that negroes, debts, and other property, belong to the said church of England:

II. *Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland,* That all property belonging to the church of England shall be vested in the select vestries, and their successors, chosen in virtue of the above recited act, as trustees of the parish, where they shall be elected, and the said vestries, and their successors, may receive all debts to their parishes respectively for the use of their parish, and may sue for and recover the same in any court of law or equity in this state, in the name of the vestry of the parish to which they belong as a body politic. Property vested in select vestries, &c.

C H A P. VIII.

An ACT for the erecting new warehouses in the town of Bladensburg.

Any three or more justices of Prince-George's county, are authorized to purchase from the commissioners of Bladensburg, a part of the market lot, and to contract for building thereon a warehouse or warehouses, with beams, prizes and cranes; and to purchase weights and scales to weigh at least 1,500lb. gross, with a set of small scales and blocks, tackle, and other necessities, for inspecting tobacco.

For defraying the expence of all these things, there are to be two assessments, to raise the net sum of £. 15,000; the first to be laid at next March court, and levied in 1780; the other to be laid in November next, and levied in 1781. The purchase money to be applied by the commissioners of Bladensburg to the use of the town.

C H A P. IX.

An ACT for the relief of the reverend Thomas Brown, of Dorset county, and the reverend Joseph Messenger, of Saint-Mary's county. *PR.*

C H A P. X.

An ACT to explain the several acts of assembly heretofore made relative to the enrollment of deeds.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen in some of the courts of justice of this Preamble. state, whether the time limited by laws heretofore made for the enrollment of deeds and conveyances should be computed by lunar or calendar months; and the computation by calendar months being most agreeable to the common acceptance of the word month, and great inconvenience might arise to many of the inhabitants of this state by a different computation;

II. *Be it therefore enacted and declared, by the general assembly of Maryland,* That in all cases where the enrollment of deeds is directed by law to be made within six months from the day of the date of the same deeds, the said months shall be deemed and taken, and are hereby declared to be calendar months. Months limited, &c. to be deemed calendar months.

C H A P. XI.

An ACT to enable the corporation of the city of Annapolis to sell certain lands, to lay a further tax on property within the said city and its precincts, to regulate and license ordinaries and retailers of spirituous liquors within the said city and the precincts thereof.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, by the memorial Preamble. of the corporation of the said city of Annapolis, that Temple and Dean streets in the said city are unnecessary and useless, wherefore they pray that the corporation of the said city, and their successors, may be enabled to sell the same; that the power given by act of assembly to lay a tax, not exceeding